

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended) A gamine machine comprising:

a chamber-defining portion that defines a chamber;

a panel carrying gaming-machine artwork arranged on one side of the chamber;

a light-diffusing element arranged on an opposed side of the chamber in spaced relationship relative to the panel; and

a game machine illuminating arrangement arranged in the chamber between the panel and the light diffusing element, the A-game machine illuminating arrangement comprising, the illuminating arrangement including:

a carrier; and

a plurality of semiconductor illuminating elements arranged in a predetermined array on the carrier.

Claim 2 (currently amended) The gamine machine arrangement of claim 1 in which the carrier is a strip of printed circuit board (PCB) carrying conductive traces for connecting the illuminating elements to a control means for supplying electrical power to the PCB, the control means being part of a controller of the gaming machine.

Claim 3 (currently amended) The gamine machine arrangement of claim 1 in which the semiconductor illuminating elements are in the form of light emitting diodes (LED's LEDs).

Claim 4 (currently amended) The gamine machine arrangement of claim 3 in which the LED's LEDs are arranged in a sequence of repeating groups on the strip.

Claim 5 (currently amended) The gamine machine arrangement of claim 4 in which each group comprises a predetermined number of differently coloured LED's LEDs.

Claim 6 (currently amended) The gamine machine arrangement of claim 5 in which each group of LED's LEDs comprises LED's LEDs corresponding to the three primary colours.

Claim 7 (canceled)

Claim 8 (currently amended) The gaming machine of claim 7-1 in which the light diffusing element is in the form of a diffuser plate.

Claim 9 (previously presented) The gaming machine of claim 7-1 in which the light diffusing element is in the form of a diffuser plate.

Claim 10 (currently amended) The gaming machine of claim 7-1 in which the chamber defining means is arranged in a top box of the gaming machine.

Claim 11 (currently amended) The gaming machine of claim 7-1 in which the chamber defining means is arranged in a belly of the gaming machine.